

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
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ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF TRIBUNALS
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Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to bring all the Tribunals under the administrative and budgetary control of his Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the benefits likely to accrue as a result thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) & (b): The Supreme Court of India on 18.3.1997 in the matter of L. Chandra Kumar Vs. Union of India & Others, inter-alia, had observed that until a wholly independent agency for the administration of all Tribunals can be set up, it is desirable that all such Tribunals should be, as far as possible, under a single nodal Ministry which will be in a position to oversee the working of these Tribunals. That Ministry, they felt, should appropriately be the Ministry of Law. It would be open for the Ministry, in its turn, to appoint an independent supervisory body to oversee the working of the Tribunals. The Hon'ble Court further recommended that the Union of India initiate action after consulting all concerned and place all the Tribunals under one single nodal Department, preferably the Legal Department. In pursuance of the above, the Proposal to set up a 'Central Tribunals Division' in the Department of Legal Affairs, is under consideration.

(c): Setting up of the Central Tribunals Division will bring about uniformity in the administration of the Tribunals.